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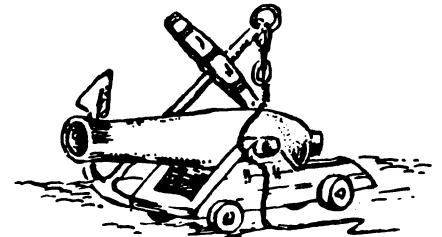
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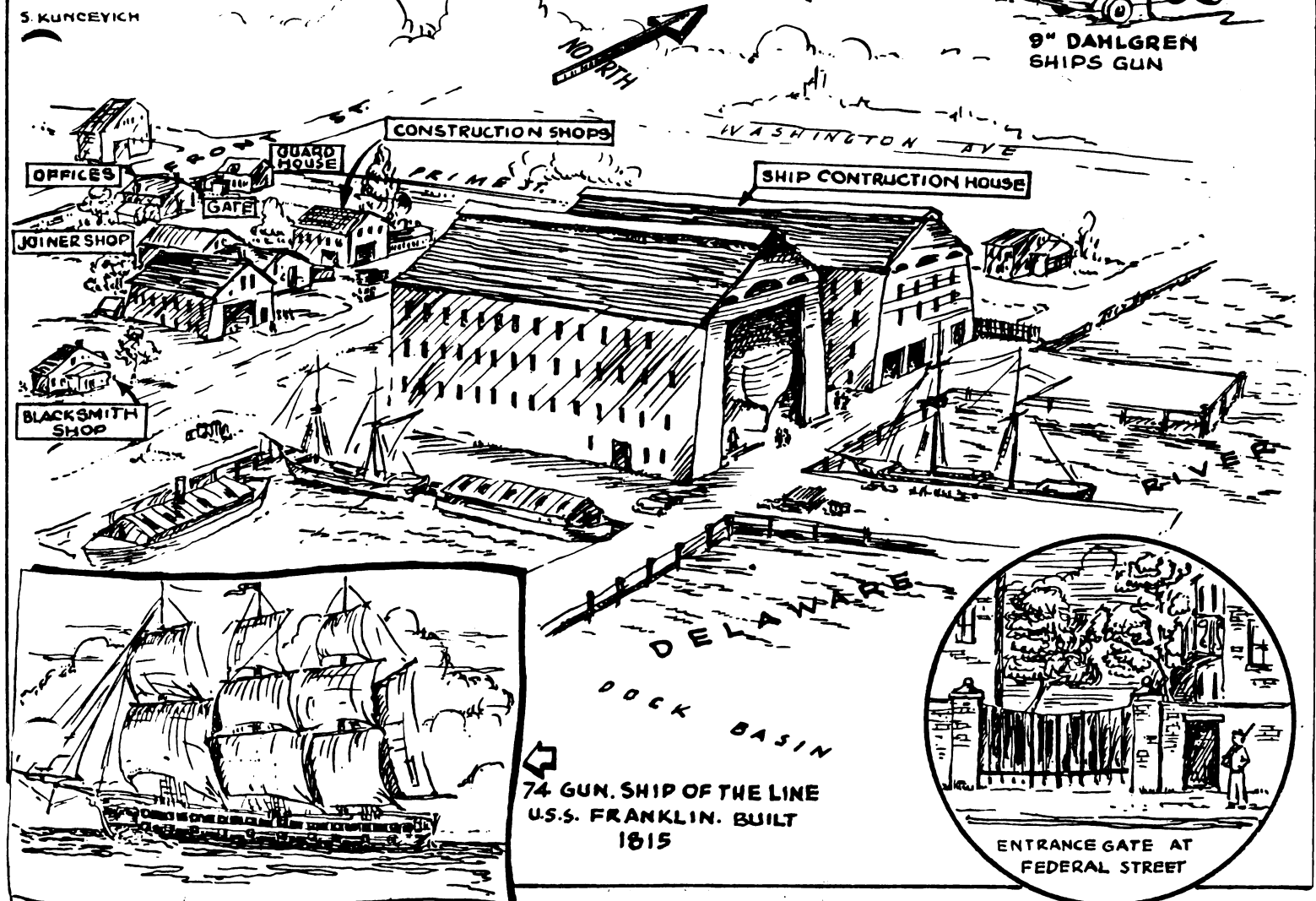
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THE BLURB

In Our 31st Year of Publication

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Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club, Inc. Nets ;

We welcome all amateurs, members and non-members, to participate.

Sundays Only	0930-1015	2-Meter Repeater Net, 147.63/147.03 FM
	1000-1015	The world-famous 10 on 10 Net, 29.4932 MHz
	1015-1030	" not-so- " " " " " " SSB
	1020-1040	75-meter phone net 3,993 kHz
	1030- ?	CW Practise net 3,610 kHz

The Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club, Inc., meets on the first Monday of each month (2nd monday-Sept) at 8:00 pm at the Franklin Institute, 20th St. and The Ben Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia.

++ VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME ++

T H E P R E Z S E Z ! ! !

I'd like to discuss two important matters:

The responsibilities the Board of Directors has to The Blurb. For example: the President must get out his Prez Sez at the earliest possible time. The Secretary must send off the Minutes of the meeting, both Mid-Month and General so that they can be included in the very next issue of The Blurb. This timing is necessary, even critical for the MID-MONTH MEETING.

I ask the Net Control Director and/or each of his Net Managers to produce a report every month without fail on what they plan to do, more members participating, meetings held and conclusions. Every month - it is that important!

The Treasurer can drop a paragraph or two, nothing extensive, every month, as to the condition of the Treasury, the number of dues yet unpaid, members moved to new areas, and anything else appropriate. One short column per month is a necessity. The remaining members of the Board should contribute, at least one article a piece to The Blurb. This provides an avenue of information from one of the less active Board Member who must have contributions to make but never really find a way to do it. Here's your opportunity. If you can't put it in words, call or write me, the Editor, W3PST, and tell us - we'll ghost write it for you.

and secondly - the Tuesday Evening CW Training Session:

I'm very pleased over the acceptance the Amateur Community has given us, and I'm very happy it has been so helpful to those in need.

At this time, I would like to publicly thank Ken Richter, W3ETM, for his fine job of hanging in there when things were rough. I also want to ask one other favor - we want more volunteers for the CW Net so that the load can be spread out a bit. Please, anyone having the time and the talent, who wants to join us as a team, please call Ken or me, either on the air or our homes.

REMEMBER - you cannot continue to take from Amateur Radio without giving something in return. Your Club need YOU as an active participant.

73,
Jake, AK2I

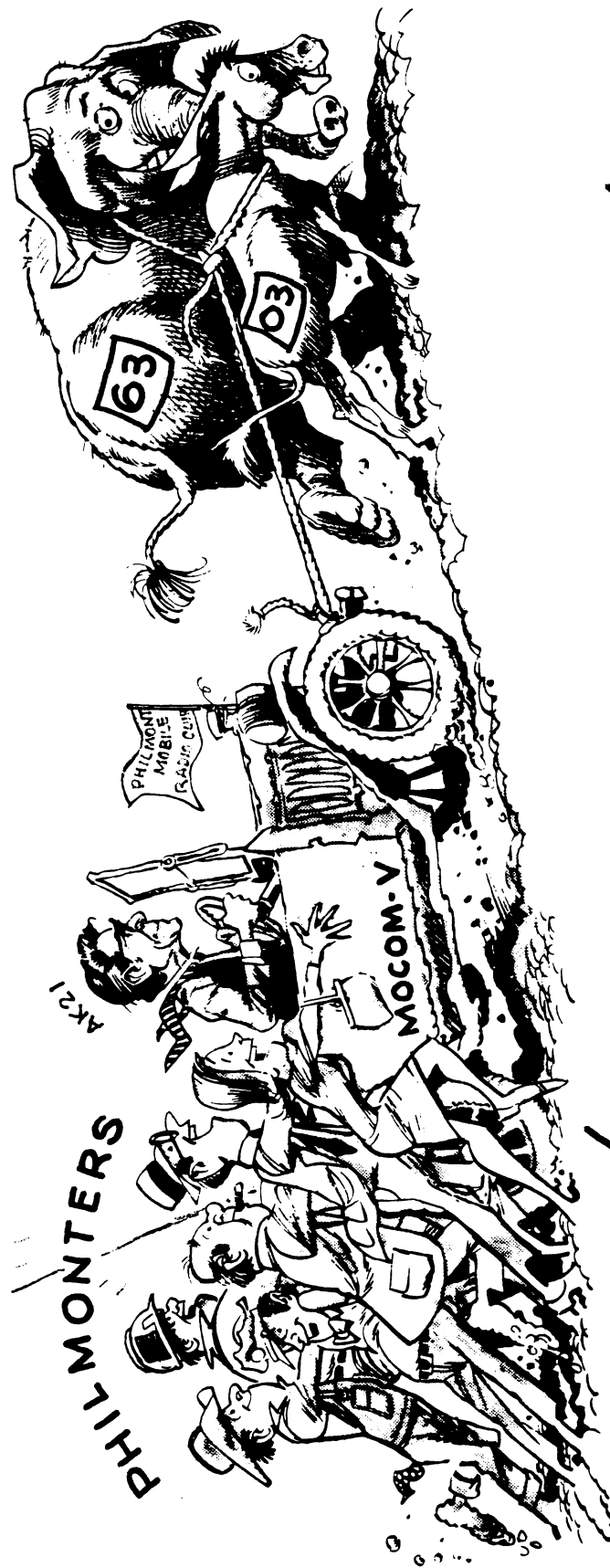
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WITH APOLOGIES FROM
KUNCEVICH TO JACK DAVIS

The Board of Directors can't do it alone



OK! EVERY BODY OUT... AND PUSH!

PHIL-MONT CALENDAR for MARCH 1981

- 2 Regular Meeting at the Franklin Institute, 2000 hrs(8:00 pm)
- 4 Ash Wednesday
- 17 The wearin' of the green, St. Patrick's Day
- 18 Mid-Month Meeting - W3SRU
- 20 First Day of Spring, whew, at last!
- 26 The Folding of the Blurb - W3BBB, 1915 hours

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MEETING REPORTS de N3ATR

1/14/81

The Directors' Meeting was held at the QTH of K3PHC with AK2I presiding. N3ATR's Minutes of the previous meeting were approved. W3UY reported a balance of \$1,984.27. W3SRU reported that he is looking for some interesting program material for 1981. W3AWH suggested that we get behind Gil and help. There followed much discussion and many suggestions for our programs of the future. W3VVS reported that Perry Blum, N3AXJ; Robert Fields, WA3IMW; Dave Merovitz, KA3BFW were accepted as new members. AK2I commented on a new membership package to include our badge. It was regularly moved and seconded that a new Initiation Fee of \$3.00 be a non-refundable application/initiation fee and collectable by the Membership Chairman. AK2I commented on The Blurb and its continuation. While many ideas were traded, a logical conclusion was reached: (1) We need The Blurb, (2) It is a vital part of our public image, and (3) It is informative to those who can't, for various reasons, attend meetings. (4) Etc., et ad infinitum. W3PST was suggested to fill the vacant position of Editor of The Blurb. AK2I is to pursue this matter. (Ed.- Don't miss any meetings guys, you don't know what'll be waiting for you) AK2I received a very reasonable quote (\$40.00) for external printing of The Blurb. The Blurb's budget was discussed. The philosophy of The Blurb was agreed that it should provide for the w-h-o-l-e amateur!! W3BBB reported that the Collins equipment closed bid sale was awarded. The new net format was presented by WB3CMM and accepted as was a new "StationMaster" for the repeater. AK2I adjourned the meeting at 2156, whereupon the hospitality of K3PHC and his YF, Rhe was only surpassed by the refreshments they served. Their daughter's oatmeal cookies were a definite hit!

I N M E M O R I U M

George Caffrey, W3J00, died 17 Jan 81 at 73 years

George was a member of the QCWA, ARRL, and The Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club. He was a musician of many years in jazz bands and until 1940 was a Musician and Arranger in the Mounted Band of the Army in Washington, D.C. When WWII broke out the Army ordered him to duty and he became a radio operator, principally The Operator in the Headquarter of the 3rd Armored. (This meant sending and copying at high speeds, in a 2½ ton 6 x 6, frequently finding themselves ahead of the Front. This outfit probably fought more than Patton did.

After WWII he became interested in sailboats, and owned two, the latest being GRAY MIST, a ketch-rig which cruised from Montauk to the Florida Keys.

George became Rear Commander of the United States Power Squadron as head of the Radio Technical Committee. He also had a voice in the Radio Technical Commission for Marine Services, where the FCC, ship owners, manufactureres, etc., planned the discontinuance of the old 2182 kHz. while going to a much improved mode of communication on VHF/FM on 156.8 MHz. and others.

George will be sorely missed by Phil-Mont as well as the USPS.

73, Brad, W3EM

S W A P ' n ' S H O P de W3BBB

Kenwood 7400A, 2-meter rig, xcellent condx \$225.00
Stan, N3AVE, 482-7272

Empty 275 gal. fuel oil tank, w/filler pipe and guage \$45.00
available at ground level

4.8 X 8 trailer wheel, (4-hole wheel) \$20.00

two(2) auto trailer hitches(adjustable), attach to frame
should fit most GM cars. \$18.00 & \$35.00

10lb. boat anchor, canoe paddle, life-jacket, and
cushions. After 6:30 pm, call 825-1874, any evening
Larry, W3UY

Kenwood TS700A, w/dc power cord and manual
Kenwood VOX 3 for the above
All mode, AM/FM/CW/USB/LSB \$500.00

Model 33 Teletype w/paper tape reader/punch assembly
w/one roll of paper, no manual, but like new condx \$350.00
(215) 483-9760 Tom Lecki, WB3IVC

2/2/81
For those who missed it, you missed it. Whaaaat? A very nice
presentation all about LED's by Bob, K2NI, the speaker for the
evening presented by W3SRU.
You also missed the opportunity of meeting your new Editor
A-N-D, the following visitors; Dave Kar-WA3DJG, Bob Donchez-
WB3HYB, Judy Pyle-KA3EMR, Marty Hertel-KA3APR, and Bob Kohed-
K2NI. There were also 51 members present.

George, W3PXY, the proud(?) owner of that almost signal from
the Makefield Farm desperately needs some novice receivers for
his Council Rock High School Radio Class, no less than five (5)
needed. Please contact Pixie, (215) 968-4483. Tax deductions
available. Do you have your ears on, Carl?

Net Control Station for March

	80-meters	10-meters	2-M
1	W3PWG	WB3KAC	W3WKE
8	W3AOA	KB3IY	W3AWG
15	W3RCE	KB3CT	
22	AK2I	N3AVE	W3ZPP
29	W3AWH	WB3CMM	W3BBB

and for April

5	W3PWG	W3GIF	WB3CMM
12	W3AOA	WB3KUR	W3SRU
19	W3RCE	W3KDO	N3AVE
26	AK2I	KB3CT	K3PHC

More Swap 'n' Shop

Kenwood SSB Transceiver, Model TS520S w/Kenwood digital display Model DG5, w/manuals, excellent condx. \$495.00 firm
Perry Blum, N3AXJ 324-8926

de HR Report

Nominations for both, The Ham of the Year and Special Achievement Awards are being sought by the Dayton Hamvention Awards Committee. For details, writr Box 44, Dayton OH 45401

CABLE TV SYSTEMS, now expanding rapidly into many major urban areas, are posing a potential threat to Amateur Radio operations. Since they are supposed to be closed (non-radiating) systems, many utilize the VHF spectrum from 50 to 225 MHz for their multi-channel content, providing subscribers with continuous tuning converters to permit them to tune in cable channels outside the standard 12-channel VHF TV band. This put some cable-carried signals into the Amateur (as well as aircraft and public safety) bands, and when systems leak (an all-too-common occurrence due to corrosion, loose connectors, or cable damage) interference to Amateur Radio operations can result. Cases of cable-system interference on Amateur repeater inputs have been documented.

AMATEUR INTERFERENCE TO CABLE RECEPTION is the obverse side. Cable subscribers who have paid to watch cable material being transmitted within an Amateur Band aren't likely to be very sympathetic when poorly shielded converters pick up Amateur Radio signals that wipe out their programs. The cable interference issue has come to a head in Richland, Washington, where Amateurs (and others) have thus far successfully opposed Teleprompter's efforts to open its transmissions across the VHF spectrum. Forty to fifty Amateurs were at the Richland City Council Meeting 19 January to testify along with unhappy cable subscribers and an airline pilot about radiation and poor system performance. They convinced the Council to vote against the expansion, and Teleprompter is required to improve its performance and report back 03 March.

ARRL HAS BEEN WATCHING the development of potential problems from cable TV, and would like to hear from any Amateur who has difficulties with interference to and from cable TV systems. Because cable TV is a regulated utility, cable system operators are required to take care of problems with their systems.

The "We would like you to meet" Dept Paul Ives, W3SMA
as gleaned from the Raytheon Magazine by Gil, W3SRU.

Paul was recently featured in the cover story of Raytheon Magazine's first issue, published quarterly by the Raytheon Company for its employees and stockholders. The article, accompanied by vivid color photographs, is entitled, "Life on the River," and depicts Paul as being a modern day Mark Twain.

Captain Ives has been a member of the Delaware River Pilots Ass'n for 28 years and guides incoming and outgoing ships along the 100 mile course from Philadelphia to Cape Henlopen. He pioneered the use of handie-talkies by pilots for communication with each other on the river. When not working at his profession, Paul's love of the draws him to sailing his own craft. Paul has been a staunch supporter of Phil-Mont for many years and has help to pilot us through some rough water in our early repeater years. We're proud to have him as a member..

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C Q D X d e N 3 A D I

"Here's hoping you fired up the Beast and worked some of the many DX stations that were on the bands this past month."

The Major Nets in operation at this time are reprinted for your info.

DK2OC Net	28.750	1200Z
Afrikaner Group	21.355	1700Z
W7PHO Family Hour	21.345	2330Z
W7PHO Family Hour	14.225	2300Z
YL Sideband System	14.331	All Day

(Members and non-members are invited to check in)

Additional information on nets will be furnished as they are established

Upcoming DXpeditions:

AD0S will be on Palmyra Island for 6-7 days in April '81, then then to Klingman Reef. After that, possibly to ZM7-land, Mellish Reef, Willis Island, and Keimedec. Don't Miss One!!

A list operation is conducted daily for VK4NIC/3X at 2100-2130Z on 21.300. Net Control-WA2JUN. QSL to W4FRU.

And now for a bit of histotry - ones you missed.

31 Jan 81	9U5JM	21.280	1750Z
01 Feb	9N1MM	14.213	0118Z
03 "	G3JKI/5A	28.700	1319Z
04 "	ZD8RCA	21.356	2105Z
04 "	LU3ZY	14.210	0307Z
05 "	TR8DX	21.320	2220Z

A Beam Heading List is available and will supplied upon request, accompanied by a 9 1/2 X 4 SASE.

QSL Information will be furnished upon your Call.

73 es gud dx de mike

AND SOME MORE S 'n' S - - -

Stereo--8-track
Automobile FM/Multiplex Rcvr w/8-track cartridge tape deck
(Automatic Radio Model EMX-6810) \$35.00
Sony Cartridge Tape-Recorder, Model TC-8, mint condx, \$45.00
45-minute recorded tape cartridges for above(both) \$ 1.00 ea.
Al, K3GNM (215) 723-6783

To Whom It May Concern - -

"The object of all dedicated employees should be to thoroughly analyze all situations, anticipate all problems prior to their occurrence, have answers for these problems, and, move swiftly to solve these problems when called upon. . . .

H O W E V E R , , , ,

when you are to your armpits in alligators, it is difficult to remind yourself your initial objective was to drain the swamp.

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Do you know AK2I's idea of a "10?" It is a "4" w/a 6-pak. Stolen from Cheese-Bits.

And, in conclusion, may I say - - -

that I wonder what transpired at that infamous MM in January past. I have been trying to find out, unsuccessfully, but, I think that K3PHC and AK2I must have put something in the water. In any case, here I am, overwhelmed; that I should be considered at all, and, with the flow of notes and stuff for The Blurb.

After reading the Prez Sez, I find it to be a tough act to follow, so, any comments that are made at this time in this column will be brief.

I agree with my predecessor, that this column should, at times, be controversial, if for no other reason than to find out if, in fact, it is being read.

So, let's all have some fun, send me your articles, and we'll make this the best dang paper around. Remember, it's you and me, Kid, all the way.

de woody, w3nst

P.S. F L A S H F L A S H

A funny thing happened on the way to the Printers today. (It is not so funny, but it did happen) A dog of a friend of mine has what might be called Canine Interference. This has been proven with the help of a cooperative Ham in his area. When he is transmitting it changes a very nice docile two-year old animal into an unpredictable beast. At the moment it is in quarantine. Also at the moment, the only known solution is its ultimate destruction, after which the Vet will perform an autopsy on its head and ears. If you have anything at all that can help this family, please call The Editor or Mr. Harry Harhi in Quakertown. ph. 346-8570.

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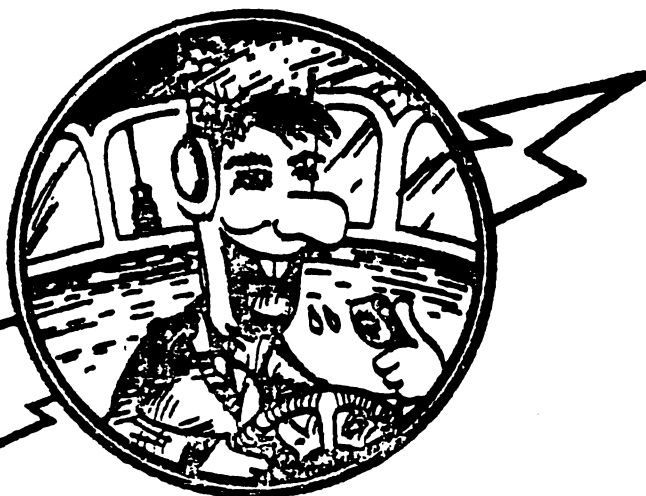
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